BDCP Steering Committee Meeting

Friday, September 22, 2006 9:00 to 10:30 Meeting Notes

1. Introductions

See attached list for meeting attendees.

2. Overview of Science Structure for the Delta

- Succinct and informative presentations were given on the following:
 - Present governance structure: Cindy Darling, Resources
 - CALFED Science Program and Independent Science Board (ISB): Ron Ott, CALFED Science Program
 - Pelagic Organism Decline (POD) Studies: Ted Sommer, Resources
 - Delta Regional Ecosystem Restoration Implementation Plan (DRERIP): Stuart Seigel
 - Natural Community Conservation Planning Act (NCCPA) Science Requirements: Gail Presley, DFG
 - DFG's Guidance for the NCCP Independent Science Advisory Process is available online at http://www.dfg.ca.gov/nccp/scienceprocess.pdf
 - Prior scientific advisory reports are available for review online at http://www.dfg.ca.gov/nccp/science.htm.
- The Steering Committee will discuss how the BDCP will specifically relate to each of these efforts at a later meeting, as well as how the BDCP will incorporate science into its own efforts.

3. Next meeting

The next meeting is scheduled for October 6, 2006 at 9:00 a.m. This meeting will include a discussion of public comments on the Planning Agreement, which are due on October 2. The public comments will be circulated to the Steering Committee for review prior to the meeting. The goal of the meeting will be to have a Planning Agreement that is ready to bring to the various board of directors for approval.

4. Public Comment

PCL representative commented on the need for additional studies in the Delta.

5. Handouts

- Present Governance Structure
- IEP and Science Programs
- Science Program Priorities
- Review Panels
- The Decline of Pelagic Fishes in the San Francisco Estuary: An Update
- DRERIP Products and Schedule
- Independent Scientific Input for Natural Community Conservation Planning